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Jannah

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اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعٰلَمِيْنَ وَ الصَّلٰوةُ وَ السَّلَامُ عَلٰى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِيْنَ
اَمَّا بَعْدُ فَاَعُوْذُ بِاللّٰهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطٰنِ الرَّجِيْمِ ؕ بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ ؕ

Blessings of Jannah

اَلصَّلٰوةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُوْلَ الله وَعَلٰى اٰلِكَ وَاَصْحٰبِكَ يَا حَبِيْبَ الله
اَلصَّلٰوةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ الله وَعَلٰى اٰلِكَ وَاَصْحٰبِكَ يَا نُوْرَ الله

نَوَيْتُ سُنَّتَ الْاِعْتِكَافِ

Translation: I have made the intention of Sunnah I'tikaaf.

Whenever you enter a Masjid, upon remembering, make the intention of 'I'tikaaf' because as long as you stay in the Masjid you will keep obtaining the reward of Nafli (supererogatory) I'tikaaf, then eating, drinking and sleeping will also become permissible for you in the Masjid.

Excellence of reciting Salat-'Alan-Nabi ﷺ

The Prophet of creation, the Peace of our heart and mind, the most Generous and Kind صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has said, 'Whoever recites Salāt upon me a thousand times daily shall not die until he sees his place in Heaven.'

(Attarghīb Wattarhīb, vol. 2, pp. 326, Hadis 2590)

منتظر ہیں جنّتیں اس کے لیے وِرد ہے جس کا ثَنائے مُصطَفٰے

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

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Dear Islamic brothers! Before listening to the Bayān, let's make good intentions for attaining rewards. The Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has said, 'نِيَّةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِهٖ' *The intention of a believer is better than his action*.

(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadees 5942)

Two Madani pearls

- Without a good intention, no reward is granted for a good deed.
- The more righteous intentions one makes the greater reward he will attain.

Intentions of listening to the Bayān

1. Lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayān attentively.
2. Instead of resting against a wall etc., I will sit in Attahiyyaat position as far as possible with the intention of showing respect for religious knowledge.
3. I will make room for others by folding my hands and limbs and by moving slightly.
4. If someone pushes me, I will remain patient and avoid staring, snapping, and arguing with them.
5. When I hear صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب, اُذْكُرُوا اللهَ, تُوْبُوْا اِلَى اللهِ, etc., I will reply loudly with the intention of gaining reward and encouraging others to also recite.
6. After the Bayān, I will approach other people by making Salām, shaking hands, and for making individual efforts upon them.

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Intentions of delivering a Bayān

1. I also make the intention that I would deliver this speech (Bayān) in order to seek the pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and for reaping the rewards.

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2. I will deliver my speech (Bayān) by reading from a book of an authentic Sunni scholar.

3. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has stated in the Glorious Quran:

اُدْعُ اِلٰى سَبِيْلِ رَبِّكَ بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَ الْمَوْعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ

Translation from Kanz-ul-Īmān: 'Call towards the path of your Lord with sound planning and good advice.' *(Part 14, Surah An-Nahl, verse 125)*

And the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has stated:

بَلِّغُوْا عَنِّيْ وَلَوْ آيَة

'Convey from me even if it is a single verse.' *(Sahih Bukhari, Hadees 4361)*

4. I would follow these abovementioned commandments by calling people towards righteousness and will forbid them from committing evil deeds.

5. Whilst reciting poetry or speaking Arabic, English, or pronouncing difficult words, I will focus my attention on the sincerity of my heart. That is to say, I will avoid delivering my speech with the intention to impress the audience with my knowledge.

6. I will encourage the people to travel with Madani Qafilahs, to practice upon the Madani In'aamaat and to join the 'Ilaaqa'i Daura for Nayki ki Da'wat' (area visit for calling towards righteousness).

7. I will avoid laughing and prevent others from laughing as well.

8. In order to develop the habit of protecting my eyes from sins I will, as far as possible, lower my gaze.

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A glimpse of blessings

Sayyiduna ‘Isa Bin Marhoom ‘Attaar عَلَیْہِ رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ الْعَقَّار has stated: A pious maid used to remain in the service of Sayyidatuna Raabi’ah ‘Adawiyyah رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا; that maid told me about the worshipping & devotion of Sayyidatuna Raabi’ah ‘Adawiyyah رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا that she would be engrossed in Salah the whole night long; she would lay down on her prayer mat at the break of dawn and when daylight begins, she would immediately get up and would say to her Nafs (self): ‘O Nafs! How long will you sleep in this temporary world? Stay awake sometimes, carry out some virtuous deeds then receive the sweet sleep in your grave, nobody will wake you up till the Hereafter, perform deeds here and have rest there.’

جاگنا ہے جاگ لے اَفلاک کے سائے تَلے حشر تک سوتا رہے گا خاک کے سائے تَلے

Then she رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا would engage in worshipping again; she devoted her entire life in worshipping. She رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا called me when her death approached and said: ‘Do not trouble me due to my death i.e., do not cry and wail over my death and bury me in this same woollen robe.’

After her death, we shrouded her in the same robe, as she had willed and one year later I saw her in my dream wearing a beautiful green garment made of silk and a long green scarf, also of silk. I swear by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I had never seen such a beautiful garment before as the one she was wearing, I then asked her: ‘O Raabi’ah! What happened to the robe that we shrouded you in?’ She رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا replied: ‘I swear by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, that robe was taken from me, and was replaced with this brilliant garment. That robe has been folded, sealed and placed in ‘Maqaam-e-‘Illeeyeen’ so that I attain reward in exchange of it on the Day of Judgement.’ I asked: ‘What about other blessings rewarded to you?’ She رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا replied: ‘The blessings which Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has prepared for His pious bondsmen are beyond description; you have had just a glimpse of these blessings, as for other unique & excellent blessings prepared for His blessed saints, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ knows.’

Thereafter, I requested her to inform me of such an act through which I could attain closeness to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. She رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا replied: ‘Make the Zikr of Allah

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عَزَّوَجَلَّ abundantly, make the Zikr of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ compulsory upon you. If you do this, it is not impossible that you are rewarded with such blessings that you become admired. *('Uyun-ul-Hikayat, vol. 1, pp. 168)*

گدا بھی مُنتظر ہے خُلد میں نیکوں کی دعوت کا
خُدا دن خَیر سے لائے سَخی کے گھر ضِیافَت کا

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Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen that this pious bondswoman of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ who devoted all her days and nights in the remembrance of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, staying awake in the worship of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, sacrificed all her desires and opposed her Nafs (lower self), in return, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ showered immense blessings upon her that the robe she would wear at the time of worshipping was replaced with such an excellent garment whose beauty has never been seen & heard by anybody, even on the Day of Judgement reward will be granted to her in exchange of this blessed robe; other eternal blessings of Jannah will also be granted. Sayyidatuna Raabi'ah 'Adawiyyah رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہَا deserved all these blessings because she was a true believer and she devoted her entire life in doing good deeds; and true believers who continue carrying out virtuous deeds have received the glad tidings of Jannah. As it is stated in Surah An-Nisa, verse 124, part 5:

وَ مَنْ یَّعْمَلْ مِنَ الصّٰلِحٰتِ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ اَوْ اُنْثٰى
وَ هُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَاُولٰٓىٕكَ یَدْخُلُوْنَ الْجَنَّةَ وَ لَا یُظْلَمُوْنَ نَقِیْرًا ﴿۱۲۴﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Imaan: And whoever does virtuous deeds, whether man or woman, and is a Muslim, will be admitted to Paradise and they will not be wronged a bit.

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Commenting on this blessed verse, Hakeem-ul-Ummat, ‘Allamah Mufti Ahmad Yaar Khan عَلَیْہِ رَحْمَۃُ الرَّحْمٰن has stated: ‘Be it a man or woman, if he or she does good deeds according to his/her ability and if he or she is a true believer with correct beliefs, then they would be rewarded with entry into Jannah in the Hereafter. The level in Jannah that he would be in will be according to his deeds, he will not be oppressed in any way as one who deserves high level and he is granted lower level, such an injustice would not take place.’

(Tafseer-e-Na’eemi, vol. 5, pp. 433)

میں ان کے دَر کا بِھکاری ہوں فضلِ مولٰی سے حسن فقیر کا جنَّت میں بِسترا ہوگا

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Dwellers of Jannah surrounded by blessings

Dear Islamic brothers! We have learnt that a true believer with correct beliefs will be entered into Jannah as a reward in exchange for his good deeds and he will be placed in that level of Jannah according to his good deeds. These blessings have been mentioned in the Glorious Quran at many places. The Glorious Quran illustrates this point by stating:

عَلٰى سُرُرٍ مَّوْضُوْنَةٍ ﴿۱۵﴾ مُّتَّكِـِٕیْنَ عَلَیْهَا مُتَقٰبِلِیْنَ ﴿۱۶﴾ یَطُوْفُ عَلَیْهِمْ وِلْدَانٌ
مُّخَلَّدُوْنَ ﴿۱۷﴾ بِاَكْوَابٍ وَّ اَبَارِیْقَ ۙ وَ كَاْسٍ مِّنْ مَّعِیْنٍ ﴿۱۸﴾ لَّا یُصَدَّعُوْنَ عَنْهَا وَ لَا
یُنْزِفُوْنَ ﴿۱۹﴾ وَ فَاكِهَةٍ مِّمَّا یَتَخَیَّرُوْنَ ﴿۲۰﴾ وَ لَحْمِ طَیْرٍ مِّمَّا یَشْتَهُوْنَ ﴿۲۱﴾ وَ حُوْرٌ
عِیْنٌ ﴿۲۲﴾ كَاَمْثَالِ اللُّؤْلُؤِ الْمَكْنُوْنِ ﴿۲۳﴾ جَزَآءًۢ بِمَا كَانُوْا یَعْمَلُوْنَ ﴿۲۴﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Imaan: (The dwellers of Jannah will be) on studded (with diamonds and pearls) thrones. Reclining on them, facing each other. Surrounded by eternal youths. Carrying bowls and pitchers – and cups filled with flowing drinks (pure wine of Jannah) before them. Their heads shall not

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ache with it, nor shall they lose their senses. And fruits that they may like. And meat of birds that they may wish. And gorgeous eyed fair maidens. Like pearls safely hidden. *(Part 27, Surah Al-Waqi'ah, verse 15 to 24)*

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen how beautifully the Glorious Quran describes some blessings of Jannah, reserved for the dwellers of Jannah. They will be seated on thrones, studded with diamonds and pearls reclining on them facing each other; obedient youths ready in service, carrying goblets and cups filled with flowing wine which will not give them any headache nor will it make them unconscious because there is no intoxication, fruits will be served as they choose and the meat of birds as they desire. Lovely large eyed pure maidens like preserved hidden pearls are the reward for their deeds. Remember! Worldly enjoyments can never compare to the great delights of those in Jannah, such as their clothing, food, drink, jewellery and palaces, will. There is in fact no room for comparison, as even the smallest space in Jannah is better than this world and all that it contains.

Blessed Ahadis

Let's listen to 3 blessed Ahadis with the blessings of the three letters of 'جنّت' (Jannat), in Urdu:

1. The Blessed and Beloved Prophet صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ said: I have prepared for My pious bondsmen those bounties which no eye has ever seen, no ear has ever heard and no human heart has ever perceived. *(Sahih Muslim, pp. 1516, Hadees 2824)*

2. The Blessed and Beloved Prophet صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: In Paradise, there are one hundred levels, the distance between each level is like the heavens and the earth. Al-Firdaus is the highest level, and from it the four rivers of Jannah are made to flow forth, and there is a sky over it. So when you ask Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, ask Him for Al-Firdaus.

 (Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, Hadees 2539)

3. The Greatest and Holiest Prophet صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: A place in Jannah equal to the size of a whip is better than the whole world and whatever it contains. *(Sahih Bukhari, vol. 2, pp. 392, Hadees 3250)*

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قسمت میں غمِ دُنیا، جنَّت کا قبالہ ہو تقدیر میں لکھا ہو جنّت کا مَزہ کرنا

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Dear Islamic brothers! Truly, there is absolutely no comparison when it comes to the temporary things of this world with the everlasting blessings of Jannah, and wise is the one who gives preference to the eternal blessings of Jannah over the mortal & temporary blessings of this world. But, alas, the majority of our people are ignorant of this fact and are only lost in the temporary amusements and attractions of this mortal world. Remember! The similitude of this world and its attractions is like a snake which is soft and smooth when it is touched, but its poison is deadly, in exactly the same way, this world is also apparently very charming and appealing but it carries great destruction. Therefore, do not attach yourself to this world; rather focus to improve your Hereafter. Do good deeds as much as you can before death overcomes you, otherwise you will be left with nothing except deep regret at the time of the agonies of death.

The Blessed and Beloved Rasool صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ also bestows the world for the sake of virtuous deeds but does not bestow the Hereafter for the sake of worldly deeds.' *(Az-Zuhd li Ibn Mubarak, pp. 193, Hadees 549)* Therefore, try to improve your next world as good deeds are the provision for salvation in the next world; اِنْ شَآءَاللّٰہ عَزَّوَجَلَّ with the blessings of good deeds not only will you improve your worldly life & the Hereafter but will also gain the everlasting blessings of Jannah.

ہم نے مانا کہ گُناہوں کی نہیں حد لیکن!
تُو ہے ان کا تو حسن تیری ہے جنّت تیری

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Dear Islamic brothers! Undoubtedly, it is an extremely challenging task to carry out virtuous deeds to attain Jannah whilst refraining from the desires of worldly wealth and possessions and the love of the world, but if we focus on the comforts and pleasures of the Hereafter, then it will be easier for us to carry out good deeds. Understand it through this example that there are two payments, 100 and 100000 and if we are offered to choose either one, then certainly every person would choose 100000; not a single wise person would even look towards the payment of 100, therefore, in exactly the same manner, whatever is in this 'دُنْیَا وَ مَا فِیْهَا' is similar to that payment of 100 whereas the blessings of the Hereafter are priceless and beyond any comparison with any of the worldly benefits. Therefore, do not chase after this world, rather earn for the Hereafter, find pleasure in performing virtues and put in efforts to gain Jannah.

مُفلسو! ان کی گلی میں جا پڑو! باغِ خُلد اِکرام ہو ہی جائے گا

Let's listen to some Madani Bahaare (descriptions) of Jannah, in order to motivate us:

Description of Jannah

'If so little as what can be placed on a fingernail of what is in Heaven were to become apparent, it would have beautified all the far corners of the heavens and the earth. And if the Heavenly bracelets were to become apparent, it would have blocked out the light of the sun, as the sun conceals light of the stars.' *(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 241, Hadees 2547)*

'Various palaces made of gems are in Jannah, which are clearly transparent that inside can be seen from outside and the outside can be seen from inside.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 281, Hadees 27)*

'The walls of Jannah are built of bricks made of gold & silver and the mortar is of musk.' *(Majma'-uz-Zawaaid, vol. 10, pp. 732, Hadees 18642)*

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'One brick of the garden of Jannah is made of gold, one brick is made of silver, the soil is saffron and its pebbles are pearls and rubies.'

(Sunan Ad- Daarimi, vol. 2, pp. 429, Hadees 2821)

'It is stated in another narration that one brick of the garden of Jannah is made of white pearl, one brick is of red ruby and one brick is of green chrysolite, the mortar is of musk, the grass is saffron, pebbles are pearls and its soil is ambergris.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 283, Hadees 33)*

Rivers of Jannah

Jannah has four rivers; one of water, one of milk, the third of honey and one of pure wine (which does not intoxicate), streams will flow from these rivers, reaching every house. These streams do not flow below the ground level but flow above the ground. One shore of the rivers is made up of pearls and the other of rubies. The river beds are made of pure Musk.

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 315, Hadees 5734/35)

The wine of Jannah is not like the wine of this world which smells terrible, bitter and intoxicates people, making them lose their senses; and then become abusive. But the wine of Paradise is free from all such faults.

(Tafseer Ibn-e-Kaseer, vol. 7, pp. 289)

Food of Jannah

The food will be delicious and of all varieties, and whatever is desired will be presented to them. *(Tafseer Ibn-e-Kaseer, vol. 1, pp. 155)* 'Upon seeing a bird, if one would desire to eat its meat, its meat would be immediately fried and brought to him.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 292, Hadees 73)*

'When the desire for water is there etc., jugs will appear in their hands, containing the right mixture of water, milk, wine and honey. The quantity will be exactly according to their desire, not one drop more nor one drop less and it will disappear, after drinking it.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 290, Hadees 66)*

'All the food will be digested producing a fragrant belch and perspiration which will give out a smell like that of musk.' *(Sahih Muslim, pp. 152, Hadees 2835)*

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Abundance of servants

'Each dweller of Jannah (Jannati) will have a minimum of 10 000 (ten thousand) servants at the head of his bed and each servant will be holding a silver bowl in one hand and a gold bowl in the other hand, and each bowl will have adornment of new colour.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 291, Hadees 70)*

When a 'dweller of Jannah' eats more food, its taste would not decrease but will become tastier; each morsel would have 70 tastes and every taste is more distinctive than the last one; he will feel all these tastes together and the sense of one taste would not stop the other; the clothing of the dwellers of Jannah would not get worn out, nor would they become old.

(Sahih Muslim, pp. 1521, Hadees 2836)

Markets of Jannah

'People in Jannah do not sleep, because sleep is a form of death.'

(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Awsat, vol. 1, pp. 266, Hadees 199)

And there is no death in Jannah, when the dwellers of Jannah enter Jannah, they shall take their places according to the virtue of their good deeds and there is no limit of Divine mercy; then permission will be granted to them to see their Rabb عَزَّوَجَلَّ after the length of a week of this world; the Divine throne will appear and Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will manifest in the gardens of Jannah. Then towering pulpits of light, of pearl, of gold, of silver and gemstones made of corundum and of peridots shall be raised for the dwellers of Jannah. And the lowest of them (and there is none of them that is low) will sit upon a hill of musk and camphor, and they will not regard those upon the pulpits as having a better seating place than them; the Blessed sight of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will be as clear and apparent as the sun and the moon (on a night when it is full) is viewed by everybody from where they stand as nobody blocks another while seeing. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will descend His blessed refulgence upon everyone and will say to a one amongst them: 'O certain person, the son of a certain person, do you remember the day when you did such and such a thing?' And He عَزَّوَجَلَّ will remind him of some of his sin in the world, so he will say: 'O Rab

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عَزَّوَجَلَّ, did you not forgive me?' Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will reply: 'Indeed! It is by the vastness of My Forgiveness that you reached this status of yours.'

So while they are engaged in this state they shall be covered by a cloud that will shower fragrance upon them, such a fragrance whose smell they had never smelt before. And Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will say: 'Go to that direction as to what I have prepared for you in your honour and take whatever you desire. Then people will go towards a market which the angels will have already surrounded it. There will also be those things what no eyes have seen the like of, nor ears have heard ever of, nor have these things ever occurred in anyone's heart. And things will be carried to them whatever they desire. Nothing will be sold or bought in this market, and the dwellers of Jannah will meet each other in this market and the dwellers of Jannah who have a lower rank would be impressed by the garments of those dwellers of Jannah who have a higher rank. Their discussion will not come to an end until the lower-ranked Jannati will presume that his clothing is better than the higher-ranked Jannati, and that is because there is no grief & sorrow for anybody in Jannah. They will then return to their houses and their wives will welcome them saying: 'You have returned, and you have greater beauty than when you left us.' So they will reply: 'Today we sat in the proximity of our Lord عَزَّوَجَلَّ and this is the reason that we have become so.' *(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 246, Hadees 2558)*

'If Jannatees wish to meet each other, a throne of one Jannati will approach the other Jannati.' *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 304, Hadees 115)*

In another narration it is stated: 'Excellent rides and horses will be brought to Jannatees, and they will be carried on them wherever they desire.

(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 244, Hadees 2553)

'The Jannati with the lowest rank is the one who will look at his gardens, his wives, his bounties, his servants and his thrones for the distance of a thousand years, and the noblest amongst them is that who will be [privileged] to see Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ each morning and evening.'

(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 249, Hadees 2562)

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When the Jannatees enter Jannah, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will say: 'Is there anything else that you want Me to provide for you?' They will humbly say: 'You have brightened our faces, entered us into Jannah, and granted us salvation from Hell.' Thereafter, the veiling will be lifted which was overspread upon the creation and nothing is greater than the blessed sight of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

(Sahih Muslim, pp. 110, Hadees 181)

عَفو کر اور سَدا کے لیے راضی ہو جا! گر کرم کر دے تو جنّت میں رہوں گا یا رَبّ!

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

To get Jannah, you must strive

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen the marvellous blessings for Jannatees? Besides gaining the eternal life in exchange of good deeds as a reward, Jannatees will enjoy a fragrant Heavenly drink, tents made of pearls, towering pulpits adorned with excellent pillows erected on the shore of the rivers of honey and pure wine, dazzling crown, surrounded by Heavenly servants and will lead a carefree life with absolutely no worries.

We should also strive to attain all these marvellous blessings. Sayyiduna Imam Muhammad Bin Muhammad Bin Muhammad Ghazaali عَلَیْہِ رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ الْوَالِی has stated: I am certainly surprised at that person who carries a firm conviction about the grand palace of Jannah, acknowledges its appreciation and believes that one who dwells in it will never die, that person knows that one who enters this house will never be afflicted by any grief and distress, will always lead a serene and peaceful life; in spite of knowing all these facts, he finds pleasure in that house which will be deserted and ruined; its comforts & luxuries will finish. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, if there had been only advantage of having no fear of death in Jannah, a human could have lived fearlessly in the face of difficulties like hunger, thirst, and un availability of other facilities & comforts and in case, if he had not been bestowed other rewards, despite that, Jannah was befitting for him and due to this fact, the world should be abandoned; no mortal thing is preferred to Jannah; Jannatees are like fearless kings, surrounded by comfort and happiness; the desires of those who attain the closeness of

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Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ are fulfilled; they will be privileged to see the blessed sight of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ with those eyes, through which they did not use to see the blessings of Jannah; who do not turned away from these blessings, they will always remain with these blessings and bounties which will never finish.

(Mukashafa-tul-Quloob, pp. 244)

Dear Islamic brothers! How surprising it is that if any of our neighbours or relatives constructs a grand mansion or they buy a new car or elevates his worldly status in any form, we try to compete with him and strive to do better. But, alas! Why don't we aspire in the same manner when we see the pious and virtuous people; we should also struggle to attain the higher levels of Jannah as these pious people do; we should also become punctual with our Salah, recite the Glorious Quran, become a practical example of the Sunnah, act upon the Madani In'aamaat, travel with Madani Qafilahs with punctuality, attend the Sunnah inspiring Madani congregation of Dawat-e-Islami from beginning to end. Remember! Where people have been divided into different levels according to their apparent worshipping, they are also divided into the levels of reward. Therefore, if we aspire to attain the highest levels then we must exert our full efforts in this regard, as it is stated in the Glorious Quran:

وَ سَارِعُوْۤا اِلٰى مَغْفِرَةٍ مِّنْ رَّبِّكُمْ وَ جَنَّةٍ
عَرْضُهَا السَّمٰوٰتُ وَ الْاَرْضُ ۙ اُعِدَّتْ لِلْمُتَّقِیْنَ ﴿۱۳۳﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: And rush towards forgiveness from your Lord, and towards a Paradise that can hold all the heavens and the earth in its width - prepared for the pious. *(Part 4, Surah Aal-e-'Imran, verse 133)*

Commenting on this blessed verse, Hadrat Sayyid Muhammad Na'eemuddin Muradabadi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ الْهَادِى has stated: The word 'rush' here refers to repentance; fulfilling obligations, obedience and sincere deeds i.e., along with seeking repentance, through performing Salah, observing fast and carrying out obligatory acts etc., as well as sincerely acting upon other Shar'ee commandments, seek forgiveness from Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ make haste to attain Jannah as these paths lead to Jannah.

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کل نارِ جَہنَّم سے حسن امن و اماں ہو اس مالکِ فردوس پہ صَدَقے ہوں جو ہم آج

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen that virtuous deeds have been regarded and declared as the path leading to Jannah, and certainly it would also be the desire of each one of us to receive the pleasure of Heavenly gardens and Heavenly blessings, so instil this fact in our lives that virtuous deeds play a role as a bridge leading to Jannah, therefore, we should also carry out good deeds in abundance.

Abundance of Nawaafil (optional prayers)

It is reported that Sayyiduna Azhar Bin Mughees رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہ was an extremely devotional worshipper. He رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہ has stated: I saw such a woman in my dream who was not like any woman of this world. I asked her, 'Who are you?' She replied, 'I am a Heavenly maiden'. Listening to this, I said to her, 'Marry me'. She replied, 'Send a proposal for my hand in marriage to my Owner and pay my Mahr (obligatory bridal money given by the husband to his wife at the time of marriage)' I asked, 'What is your Mahr?' She replied, 'Offering prayers till late at night'. *(Al-Mutajar Al-Rabah, pp. 187)*

وہ تو نہایت سستا سودا بیچ رہے ہیں جنّت کا
ہم مُفلِس کیا مَول چُکائیں اپنا ہاتھ ہی خالی ہے

Excellence of Istighfar (seeking forgiveness)

Dear Islamic brothers! Offer optional prayers of Ishraaq, Chaasht and Tahajjud and make yourselves deserving of Jannah; move your tongue a little and recite 'اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰہَ الْعَظِیْمَ' and gain the reward of a 'Heavenly maiden'. One blessed saint رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہ worshipped Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ for forty years and he once supplicated to Allah: O Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Show me a glimpse in the world of whatever I will be rewarded in Jannah. His supplication continued, and the Mihraab (prayer niche) split open, producing a Heavenly maid and she said: You will be rewarded 100 Heavenly maidens like me, each one will have 100 maids and each maid will have 100 subordinate maids and each subordinate maid will have 100 maid-assistants. Having listened to this, that blessed saint

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was overjoyed and questioned her: Will anybody gain more than me in Jannah? Replied: It is for each man that recites 'اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْعَظِيْمَ' in the morning and evening. *(Raud-ur-Riyaheen, pp. 55)*

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen that the one who recites Istighfaar in the morning and evening will be rewarded with Heavenly maidens, similarly, 'making 'Salam' and feeding [the poor and needy]' are such blessed acts which are the source of attaining Jannah and gaining higher & excellent positions in it.

Where a person elevates his prestige & honour by cultivating the habit of spreading Salaam and giving others something from your part, such a man is also regarded amongst those fortunate people who have the glad tiding of Jannah as it is stated in a blessed Hadees: 'Spread Salaam and feed [others], you will enter Jannah.' *(Al-Ihsan Bittarteeb Ibn Hibban, vol. 1, pp. 356, Hadees 489)*

سُنَّتیں اپنا کے حاصل بھائیو! رَحمتِ مَولٰی سے جنَّت کیجئے!

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

Likewise, taking no revenge despite having the ability and power to do so is also such a great act which not only keeps relations intact but also it is a Mi'raaj of honour in the Hereafter.

It is stated in the blessed Hadees: 'Whoever restrains his anger when he is able to give vent to it, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will call him before all the people in order to grant him the authority to choose any Heavenly maiden he desires.'

(Sunan Ibn Majah, vol. 4, pp. 462, Hadees 4186)

بِلا حساب ہو جنّت میں داخِلہ یا رَبّ! پڑوس خُلد میں سَرورَ کا ہو عَطا یا رَبّ!

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

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Similarly, we should also develop the habit of reciting the Glorious Quran, undoubtedly, by the blessings of it, where doors of mercy are opened, there is also a glad tiding of receiving excellent positions in Jannah.

The Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم said: The 'reciter of Quran will be told to continue reciting and ascending the stages of Jannah and recite carefully as you had recited carefully when you were in the world, you will reach your abode when you approach the last verse you recite.

(Sunan Abi Dawood, Hadees 1464)

شاد ہے فردوس یعنی ایک دن قسمتِ خُدام ہو ہی جائے گا

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen that one who recites the Glorious Quran correctly and slowly is treated in the most excellent manner? Such a person will be told to continue reciting and elevating his status in Jannah; therefore, we should also make attempts to recite the Glorious Quran as much as we can. Those Islamic brothers, who are unable to recite the Glorious Quran with properly, are requested to prepare for learning to recite correct Quran. The best source of this is to also attend the last 10-day congregational I'tikaaf which is held under the banner of Dawat-e-Islami at many locations.

Persuasion of I'tikaaf

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰہ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Blessings and favours of the blessed month of Ramadan is beyond one's imagination. Where one will be privileged to observe I'tikaaf, he will also learn to recite the Glorious Quran properly along with gaining plenty of knowledge of 'Ilm-e-Deen, اِنْ شَآءَاللّٰہ عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

The Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہِ وَاٰلِہٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: 'Whosoever observes I'tikaaf even for a single day seeking the pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ would open three trenches between him and the fire of Jahannam, the width of each trench is greater that the distance between the Heaven and the earth.'

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Dear Islamic brothers! Ponder over this that one who observes I'tikaaf even for a single day for the sake of the pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ would open three trenches between him and the fire of Jahannam, so, one who observes the last 10-days of I'tikaaf, how excellent will be the rewards and blessings for him as the reward of virtues in Ramadan are multiplied many folds. Therefore, take advantage of this opportunity and prepare for the last 10-days Sunnah I'tikaaf, and if possible privilege yourself to observe I'tikaaf from today and become deserving of immense rewards.

رحمتیں لوٹنے کے لیے آؤ تم مَدَنی ماحول میں کر لو تم اِعتکاف
سُنَّتیں سیکھنے کے لیے آؤ تم مَدَنی ماحول میں کر لو تم اِعتکاف

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

Summary of Bayan (speech)

Dear Islamic brothers! Today, we have heard a faith-refreshing Bayan about the blessings of Jannah. How will Jannah be? How will its ground be? How will its rivers be? What will be the appearance of its Heavenly maidens? How will its soil be? What will its doors & walls be made of? How will the towering palaces of Jannatees be? In short! We learned about the blessings & favours of Jannah; we certainly feel overwhelming desires to attain the higher status of Jannah; we can also benefit from these Heavenly blessings; the only condition is that we keep carrying out good deeds leading to Jannah with sincerity and the firm determination and for this, first of all we have to inculcate the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ in our hearts because until and unless we acquire this greatest blessing first, we cannot have hatred for sins and love for virtues. Fearing Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is an excellent and valuable source of obeying Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and refraining from prohibited acts. One of the best sources of developing the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is to go through Quranic verses, blessed Ahaadees and sayings of the blessed saints رَحْمَۃُ اللّٰہِ تَعَالٰی عَلَیْہ related to the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. اِنْ شَآءَاللّٰہ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, with the blessings of this, we shall develop the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ along with a yearning for contemplation of the Hereafter.

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Introduction of a Book

In order to achieve this goal, a study of the remarkable 160-page book '*Khauf-e-Khuda*' (a publication of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, Dawat-e-Islami) will be highly productive. This book contains an abundance of Quranic verses, blessed Ahaadees, parables & sayings of the blessed saints regarding the importance of the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, methods of developing the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and along with signs of the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, other beautiful Madani pearls have also been collected in this book. This book is extremely beneficial for raising the importance of the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and to rekindle the fire of the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Obtain this book from Maktaba-tul-Madinah and illuminate your heart with essential Islamic knowledge.

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

Dear Islamic brothers! In conclusion, I take this opportunity to mention the excellence of a Sunnah as well as some Sunan and manners. The Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of the Ummah صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has said, 'He who loves my Sunnah, loves me, and he who loves me will be with me in Paradise.'

(Ibn 'Asakir, vol. 9, pp. 343)

سینہ تری سُنَّت کا مدینہ بنے آقا جنَّت میں پڑوسی مجھے تم اپنا بنانا

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

Madani pearls of the clipping nails

1. It is Mustahab [preferable] to clip the nails on a Friday. However, one should not wait for Friday if the nails have grown long.

(Durr-e-Mukhtār, pp. 668, vol. 9)

The great scholar of Fiqh, Shaykh Mufti Amjad 'Ali A'zami رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْه has said, 'It is narrated that whosoever clips his/her nails on a Friday, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will protect him from calamities till the next Friday and for three days thereafter, that is, for 10 days in total. In one narration, it is said

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that whosoever clips their nails on a Friday, [for that person] mercy will come and his sins will go [i.e., be forgiven].'

(Durr-e-Mukhtār, Rad-dul-Muḥtār, pp.9, vol. 668, Bahār-e-Shari'at, vol. 16, pp. 225-226)

2. The following is the summary of the prescribed method of cutting the fingernails as narrated in authentic books: begin with the index finger of the right hand and work your way right towards the pinkie (smallest finger). Now, beginning with the pinkie (small finger) of the left hand, work your way towards the left thumb. In the end, clip the nail of the right thumb. *(Durr-e-Mukhtār, vol. 9, pp. 670; Ihya-ul-'Uloom, pp. 193, vol. 1)*

3. There is no prescribed order of clipping the toe nails. It would be better to start from the smallest toe on the right foot working your way left to the big toe, then cut the big toenail of the left foot working your way left to your little toe. *(Durr-e-Mukhtār, pp. 193, vol. 1)*

4. It is Makrūh [disliked] to clip the nails whilst in the state of Janaabat, that is, when Ghusl has become obligatory on one.

(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, pp. 308, vol. 5)

5. It is Makrūh [disliked] to bite the nails with one's teeth; there is a fear of being inflicted with leprosy in doing so. *(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, pp. 308, vol. 5)*

6. Bury the nails after clipping them; they can also be thrown away.

(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, pp. 308, vol. 5)

To learn various Sunan, obtain the following books, *Bahar-e-Shari'at* 16 comprising of 312 pages and *Sunnate aur Aadaab,* comprising of 120 pages, both published by Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami. One of the best ways to learn Sunan is to travel with the Madani Qafilahs of Dawat-e-Islami with the lovers of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم.

مجھ کو جَذبہ دے سفر کرتا رہوں پَروَردِگار سُنّتوں کی تربیَّت کے قافلے میں بار بار

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

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The Salawaat-‘Alan-Nabi that are recited in the Sunnah-Inspiring weekly Ijtima’ (congregation) of Dawat-e-Islami:

1. The Salat-‘Alan-Nabi for the night preceding Friday

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلٰى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدِ النَّبِيِّ الْاُمِّيِّ الْحَبِيْبِ الْعَالِي الْقَدْرِ الْعَظِيْمِ الْجَاهِ وَعَلٰى اٰلِهٖ وَصَحْبِهٖ وَسَلِّمْ

The saints of Islam have quoted that whoever recites this Salat-‘Alan-Nabi at least once on the night preceding Friday [the night between Thursday and Friday] on a regular basis will be blessed with the vision of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم at the time of death, as well as at the time of his burial into the grave, to the extent that he will see the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم lowering him into the grave with his own merciful hands. *(Afzal-us-Salawat ‘ala Sayyid-is-Sadat, pp. 151)*

2. All sins forgiven

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰى سَيِّدِنَا وَ مَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَّ عَلٰى اٰلِهٖ وَسَلِّمْ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Anas رَضِیَ اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَنْهُ that the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has stated, ‘Whoever recites this Salat upon me whilst standing, then prior to his sitting back; and if he recites it whilst sitting, then before he stands back, his sins will be forgiven.’ *(ibid, pp. 65)*

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3. 70 Portals of mercy

صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

Whoever recites this Salat-'Alan-Nabi, 70 portals of mercy are opened for him. *(Al-Qaul-ul-Badi', pp. 277)*

4. The reward of 600,000 Salawat-'Alan-Nabi

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَدَدَ
مَا فِيْ عِلْمِ اللّٰهِ صَلَاةً دَآئِمَةً بِدَوَامِ مُلْكِ اللّٰهِ

Shaykh Ahmad Sawi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ الْهَادِى reports from some saints of Islam that the one reciting this Salat-'Alan-Nabi once receives the reward of reciting Salat-'Alan-Nabi 600,000 times. *(Afzal-us-Salawat 'alaSayyid-is-Sadat, pp. 149)*

5. Nearness to the Distinguished Prophet ﷺ

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَ تَرْضٰى لَهٗ

One day somebody came [to the blessed court of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم], and the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم made him sit in between himself and Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddiq رَضِیَ اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَنْهُ. The respected companions رَضِیَ اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَنْهُم were surprised as to who that honoured person was. When he had left, the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم said, 'When he recites Salat upon me, he does so in these words.'

(Al-Qaul-ul-Badi', pp. 125)

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6. Durood-e-Shafa'at

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ وَّ اَنْزِلْهُ الْمَقْعَدَ الْمُقَرَّبَ عِنْدَكَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

The Greatest and Holiest Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has stated: The one who recites this Salat upon me, my intercession will become obligatory for him.

(Attarghib Wattarhib, vol. 2, pp. 329, Hadees 31)

1. Good deeds for 1000 days

جَزَى اللّٰهُ عَنَّا مُحَمَّدًا مَا هُوَ اَهْلُهٗ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Ibn ''Abbās رَضِیَ اللّٰہُ تَعَالٰی عَنْہُمَا that the Noble and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم has stated, 'For the reciter of above supplication, seventy angels write good deeds (in his account) for 1000 days.'

(Majma'-uz-Zawaid, pp. 254, vol. 10, Hadees 17305)

2. An easy way to spend every night in worship

The following narration has been mentioned on page 187 of *Gharāib-ul-Quran*, 'If anyone recites the following Du'ā three times at night it is as if he has found Layla-tul-Qadr.' We should recite it every night. Here is the Du'ā:

لَآ اِلٰهَ اِلَّا اللّٰهُ الْحَلِيْمُ الْكَرِيْمُ

سُبْحٰنَ اللّٰهِ رَبِّ السَّمٰوٰتِ السَّبْعِ وَ رَبِّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيْم

Translation: There is none worthy of worship except Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Who is 'حَلِيْم' and 'كَرِيْم'. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is 'سُبْحَان', Rab of the seven skies and the magnificent 'Arsh.

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